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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Syed Sajid Ahmad

Serial No.: 09/943,967

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For: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR CONTROLLING THE DEPTH OF

IMMERSION OF A SEMICONDUCTOR ELEMENT IN AN EXPOSED SURFACE

OF A VISCOUS FLUID

Confirmation No.: 2663

Examiner: M. Trinh

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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are filed in response to the Examiner's remarks in the Office Action mailed December 18, 2002, the three-month shortened statutory period for response to which expires on March 18, 2003.

